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2. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. Unity of invention is lacking (see Box II).

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- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
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6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____

- as suggested by the applicant.
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- because this figure better characterizes the invention.

None of the figures.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC 7 C12Q1/68

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 C12Q

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT
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